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TAGS: PINT, PFOR, ETRN, JA, CH, TW SUBJ: 35 DAY DIET EXTENSION VOTED

REF: TOKYO 5434 (NOTAL)

- 1. AS PER SCENARIO REPORTED REFTEL, DIET LOWER HOUSE, AT EVENING SESSION APRIL 26, VOTED 35-DAY EXTENSION OF CURRENT SESSION WHICH WILL NOW END JUNE 3. AS RESULT OF EXTENSION, UPPER HOUSE ELECTION DAY IS LIKELY TO BE JULY 7. EXTENDED SESSION WILL PERMIT DIET CONSIDERATION OF LARGE BACKLOG OF SOME 50 BILLS AND RATIFICATION OF CONTROVERSIAL JAPAN-PRC CIVIL AIR AGREEMENT.
- 2. DIET VOTE ON EXTENSION WAS MADE POSSIBLE WHEN LDP, AFTER THREE DAYS OF HEATED INTRA-PARTY WRANGLING, GAVE FORMAL APPROVAL TO SUBMIT AIR AGREEMENT TO DIET FOR RATIFICATION. PARTY DECISION WAS MADE BY PARTY EXECUTIVE WITHOUT PARTY CONSENSUS AFTER PRO-TAIWAN MEMBERS REFUSED TO DROP THEIR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OPPOSITION AND IT WAS CLEAR NO AGREEMENT COULD BE REACHED.

AS SOP TO INTRO-PARTY OPPOSITION, LDP LEADERSHIP PLEDGED FULL EFFORTS TO INDUCE TAIPEI TO RESTORE AIR CONNECTIONS AT EARLY DATE. ALTHOUGH THERE WAS SOME TALK OF PUTTING RATIFICATION TO VOTE IMMEDIATELY, IT WAS FINALLY DECIDED TO DELAY SUBMISSION OF RATIFICATION BILL UNTIL ISSUE WAS SUITABLY DEBATED IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. THUS LOWER HOUSE APPROVAL, WHILE VIRTUALLY ASSURED, IS NOT EXPECTED TO OCCUR UNTIL AFTER END OF GOLDEN WEEK HOLIDAYS, I.E., AFTER MAY 6. SHOESMITH

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